

Meeting Minutes for the
State Interagency Coordinating Council
November 1, 2022, from 10:30 am to 4:00 pm
Casey Tibbs Rodeo Center

Members Present:

Carla Miller
Carrie Churchill
Cindy Fisher
Dawn Smith (virtual)
Debra Willert
Gretchen Brodkorb
Jaze Sollars
Jodi Berscheid
Joe Hauge
Jordon Mouna (virtual)

Katherine Schmidt
Kirsten Ducheneaux, PT
Laura Nordby
Wendy Honeycutt, OT
Melanie Lundquist (virtual)
Valerie Kelly
Rochelle Holloway
Michelle Martin (virtual)

Members Absent:

Cindy Michelson
JoLynn Bostrom
Carie Green
Senator Jessica Castleberry

Birth to Three Staff:

Sarah Carter, Director
Crystal Goeden, Program Specialist
Steve Livermont, Program Specialist
Jen Kampmann, Program Specialist
Daniel Krier, Program Specialist
Melissa Manning, Senior Secretary

Public:

Sharon Walsh, OSEP sponsored TA center.

Call to Order and Roll Call

The State Interagency Coordinating Council was called to order by ICC Chair Rochelle Holloway at 10:35 am Central Time.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion by Miller second by Kelly to approve the November 1, 2022, agenda. All voted in favor.
Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Churchill to approve the April 2022 minutes, second by Ducheneaux. All voted in favor.
Motion carried.

Public Comment

No public comment was offered.

National Update

Sharon Walsh, technical assistant with OSEP sponsored Early Childhood Technical Assistance center (ECTA) presented to members on items happening at the national level and across the Part C system. Walsh explained the 117th Congress partisan and bipartisan work as it related to

early childhood priorities. Fiscal year 2023 appropriations, including IDEA July 1, 2023, awards of which Part C is included. FY2023 budget proposals from the President, House and Senate were reviewed in relation to impact on Part C. Walsh presenting policy proposals under consideration in the 2023 Bill. Current hot topics inside the Beltway include childcare, workforce shortages, child poverty and mental health.

Walsh went on to share information collected by the IDEA Infant and Toddler coordinators Association (ITCA) of which South Dakota is a member. This is the 17th annual survey and represents 51 of 56 jurisdictions receiving IDEA Part C funds.

SPP/ARP Reporting Indicators

Sarah Carter opened the discussion informing members the FFY2021 State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report would be submitted 2/1/2023. Of the eleven reporting indicators Carter reminded members of the 3 compliance indicators and the seven results indicators along with Indicator C11, known as the State Systemic Improvement Plan, that was introduced six years ago.

After a review of the State Identified Measurable Result (SiMR) Carter pointed to the Theory of Action developed by stakeholders and the ICC and the subsequent evaluation plans for each strand in the Theory of Action. Jennifer Kampmann, Birth to Three professional development specialist shared the past years activities and progress made in the SSIP work. Recently released videos from families, providers and service coordinators were viewed. These are being shared with various partners throughout the professional development process. Kampmann updated members on the training cohorts. Cohort 8 graduated 78 participants of which 63 have met initial fidelity. Cohort 9 began in August 2022 with 83 participants. The year-round coaching schedule has been very successful. Its development accommodated coaches and participants schedules much better than the previous schedule.

Birth to Three has introduced additional training opportunities for direct service providers and service coordinators beyond the Bright Beginnings PD. A family literacy course was implemented in summer 2022, virtual conversations lead by qualified personnel offering various topics surrounding a healthy workplace/environment. South Dakota will be launching an in the moment training compatible with smart phone technology. This new platform will contain a library of courses providers can access at any time via their smart phone. Content will focus on infant toddler and provider mental health and will be released summer 2023.

Carter reviewed the ADMIN 24:14 rule revisions that took affect 8/1/2022. Crystal Goeden, program specialist, report 22 new providers have been signed up since the rules were first introduced. One provider had left due to the rule revisions.

Kampmann shared the ongoing pilot project happening with the Birth to Three program and OAHE service coordination. At the November 2021 ICC meeting it was identified the need for the program to address provider shortages in certain portions of the state. A result was piloting with the OAHE region on a potential Developmental Specialist. Kampmann presented the pilot findings and possible next steps. Kirsten Ducheneaux, OAHE director, shared her experience over this past year and the impact on her region.

Pilot Project is working for her business.

Chair Holloway called recess at 12:30 pm and called back in session at 1:06pm

Birth to Three data manager, Steve Livermont, presented FFY2021 data for Indicator C2, C5 and C6 services in natural environment.

C2 # of Infants and Toddlers served in the home or community-based setting	Total number of infants and toddlers on IFSP	FFY2020 Data	FFY2021 Target	FFY2021 Data	Status
1014	1018	99.89%	97.00%	99.61%	Met Target

C5 % of Infants and Toddlers Birth to age 1	Population of Infants and Toddlers Birth -1	FFY2020 Data	FFY2021 Target	FFY2021 Data	Status
135	11,810	0.97%	0.88%	1.14%	Met Target

C6 % of Infants and Toddlers Birth to age 3	Population of Infants and Toddlers Birth -3	FFY2020 Data	FFY2021 Target	FFY2021 Data	Status
1018	35,387	2.56%	2.81%	2.88%	Met Target

Birth to Three team indicated one-day child count number of 1018 is very close to the one-day count in 2019, pre-covid, however the cumulative count is not quite where it was pre-covid. Crystal Goeden, program specialist relayed state service coordinators have witnessed practices for reaching families are not as effective as prior to COVID and are rethinking methods for reaching families. The state is not certain if this is affecting the child count but will continue to monitor.

Data for Indicator C4 Family Outcome is collected using a family survey. The FFY2021 data was collected using a new tool, which the ICC approved in April 2021. The state reported return rate was down this year compared to previous years but given the new tool and the new electronic distribution that additional years were needed to truly evaluate the quality of the data.

C4 % of families reporting that early intervention services helped the family	FFY2020 Data	FFY2021 Target	FFY2021 Data	Status
A. Know their rights	97.98%	94.1%	88.11%	Not Met
B. Effectively communicate child's needs	97.96%	90.2%	90.98%	Met
C. Help their child develop and learn	99.19%	90.1%	87.30%	Not Met

The state will continue to monitor and assess the family survey process.

Daniel Krier and Carter provided information on a new IFSP data system. The program is currently working on an RFP that will be opened in the coming months. The hope for the data system is all the current features plus enhancements to include from point of referral to transition. The state has worked with service coordinators and will be meeting with a group of providers to give input to a new system.

Livermont presented C9 and C10 results. It is noted, states must have 10 or more resolutions and/or mediations to establish targets.

C9 % of hearing request resolved through resolution session	# Resolution sessions	FFY2020 Data	FFY2021 Target	FFY2021 Data	Status
0	0	0		N/A	N/A

C10 Medication agreements related to due process complaints	Medication agreements not related to due process complaints	Number of Medications held	FFY2020 Data	FFY2021 Target	FFY2021 Data	Status
0	0	0			N/A	N/A

South Dakota consultant Walsh explained the federal monitoring, known as DMS2.0, taking place across the country and how states are preparing for this. It is estimated South Dakota will be in cohort 4 or 5 which will take place in 2025, 2026 or 2027. The South Dakota Birth to Three team is working with national TA centers to begin preparing now and would be joining a cohort of western frontier states to learn from each other and share preparation resources. This groups first meeting will be November 2 – 4 in Deadwood, SD.

Chair Holloway called for a recess at 2:30pm for ICC members to participate in small work group activity.

ICC was called back into session at 3:55pm.

Program Updates

Carter informed members of the coming February 1, 2023, SPP/APR submission. January 18, 2023 is next SICC meeting, remaining SPP/APR reporting indicators will be reviewed. Carter also mentioned the Department of Education and Department of Social Services collaborative work on the Preschool Foundational Study. A survey link would be available in the coming weeks, the desire it to have parents, school district personnel and childcare providers complete the survey. Carter asked members for assistance is sharing the link with their respective partners. Program staff will begin working the 2023 Part C grant application after the first of the year.

Chair Holloway asked if any additional questions from member for the state team. No questions came forward.

Motion to adjourn Carla Miller, second Debra Willert. All voted in favor; meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m.